

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Good Shepherd Sunday)

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Noticeboard

Sunday Masses

First Mass of Sunday (Vigil) Saturday, 6 p.m.
Sunday Morning Mass 10.30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday, and Tuesday, Service at 10.15 a.m.
Other Weekdays, Mass at 10.15 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday:
9.45 to 10 a.m.
4 to 4.30 p.m.
5.30 to 5.45 p.m.

There are no Feasts or Memorials this week.

This Good Shepherd Sunday is the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. We remember the command of Christ that we pray for labourers for the harvest. That was one prayer intention he wanted us to have!

We pray for our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Dr. Charles Connochie, Mary Kate Phillips, John Lindsay, Elizabeth Gribben,, John MacMaster and Bernard (Brian) Kearney**. May they rest in the peace of their Risen Lord.

We will have the annual **Peter's Pence** collection next Sunday. Please be generous in your support of Pope Francis.

Father MacKinnon away on Monday and Tuesday. Deacon Thomas will have the care of the parish.

We are most grateful to those who **cleaned the church** during the week.

A Prayer for Vocations

Loving and generous God,
it is You who call us by name
and ask us to follow You.
Help us to grow in the love
and service of our Church.

Give us the energy and courage
of Your Spirit
to shape its future
Grant us faith-filled leaders
who will embrace Christ's mission
of love and justice.

Bless our Diocese of Argyll and the Isles
by raising up dedicated and generous leaders
from our families and friends
who will serve your people as Priests
Sisters, Brothers, Deacons and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us to know You better
and open our hearts
to hear Your call.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

This Saturday, Pope Francis, Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople and Archbishop Hieronymos II of Athens and All Greece visited the refugees on the island of Lesbos (or Lesvos). They were accompanied by the Greek Prime Minister, Alexis Tsipras. Here are some photos that capture something the situation in Lesbos and the welcome given to the Church leaders.

